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Dear Participant in the NEPA Reform Effort:

The Council on Environmental Quality is pleased to announce publication of the Final NEPA regulations establishing a uniform procedure for implementing Section 102(2) of the National Environmental Policy Act. The regulations were promulgated on November 29, 1978 (43 Fed. Reg. 55978).

During development of the regulations, a process which began in May 1977, the Council received the assistance and support of many people. We wish to extend our appreciation for your participation in this effort.

In responding to President Carter's directive to develop NEPA regulations, the Council set three goals of reducing paperwork, reducing delay, and ensuring better decisions. We believe that the final regulations can accomplish these goals.

The regulations, which for most agencies become effective on July 30, 1979, require each federal agency to issue implementing procedures. The Council will be working with the agencies in the development of their procedures, and we encourage your continued participation and assistance in that endeavor.

Sincerely,



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